
Municipalities

A total of 22 independent municipalities and/or special taxing districts exist within Montgomery County. These municipalities are generally responsible for their own budgets and independently provide a wide array of services to their residents. A portion of the services provided fall into the category of capital improvements projects which, because of expected long-term usefulness, size, and cost, require significant expenditures of capital funds. Capital improvements are frequently programmed over more than one year and result in a durable capital asset: facilities and infrastructure such as buildings, roads, recreational facilities, and utilities.

A number of capital improvements which fall within municipal limits or serve primarily the residents of a particular municipality are included as projects in the County's FY05-10 Recommended Capital Improvements Program. Municipal financing for such projects generally appears labeled as intergovernmental funding on the project description form (PDF) and in summary reports.

In addition, the municipality itself may adopt and publish a capital improvements program. Of the several municipalities in Montgomery County, the City of Gaithersburg, the Town of Poolesville, and the City of Rockville formally adopt five- or six-year capital improvements programs. Takoma Park undertakes periodic capital improvements, often using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and other Federal and State grants, but generally does not adopt long-term programs at this time.

CITY OF GAITHERSBURG

The City of Gaithersburg's five-year capital improvements program is presented annually in the Gaithersburg Adopted Budget: A Financial Plan and Program of Municipal Service. The recommended program covers the period from FY05-09 and contains a listing of the various capital projects being undertaken. Final action on the budget takes place annually in June. The City continues to be committed to using a Pay-As-You-Go approach to fund capital projects, thereby incurring no bonded debt. The City of Gaithersburg is one of the few municipalities in the country that is able to do so. To access information about these projects, go to www.ci.gaithersburg.md.us.

CITY OF ROCKVILLE

The City Manager of Rockville annually submits to the Mayor and City Council a recommended six-year capital improvements program. The City's Recommended FY05-10 Capital Improvements Program includes detailed descriptions

of projects, as well as expenditure and funding summaries. Final action on the budget takes place annually in June. The City continues to be committed to ensuring a high quality of life for its residents, as well as providing a combined planning/financial document to guide it in attaining its goals.

Further information regarding Rockville's FY05-10 Capital Improvements Program may be obtained by contacting the City Budget Office by email at budgetinquiry@rockvillemd.gov or by phone at 240.314.8400.

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK

For information regarding Takoma Park's FY05 Capital Budget Plan, consult the City offices at 301.871.7100.

TOWN OF POOLESVILLE

The Town Manager annually submits to the Commissioners of the Town of Poolesville a recommended five-year capital improvements program. Capital items are typically related to its roads and independent water and sewer system which are supplied from eight wells located throughout the Town. Further information regarding Poolesville's FY05-09 Capital Budget Plan may be obtained by contacting the Town Manager at 301.428.8927.